

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Prescribed Burn 2003

LOCATION: McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial State Park

COUNTY: Shasta

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Conduct prescribed burns at four plots totaling approx. 50 acres in McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial State Park to restore native vegetation, reduce fuel loads, and control invasive exotic and/or alien plant species. Two plots are located adjacent to and at the north and south ends of Burney Creek, one is on the terrace west of Pioneer Campground, and one is south of the Pioneer Cemetery. Burns will be conducted in accordance with the 2002 McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial State Park Prescribed Burn Plan.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Buttes District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section:)
☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 4 Section: 15301, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of maintenance and minor alteration of existing topographical features, involving no expansion of use beyond current levels; and the minor public alteration in the condition of land and vegetation that will not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "prescribed burns" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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